

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**Please replace the first full paragraph on page 19 of the specification with the following amended paragraph:**

If the control portion 203 receives the IRQ signal, the control portion 203 initializes the hard disk 300 and allots an area for recording the data to the hard disk 300. Also, the control portion 203 transmits the DMA command to the recording and reproducing portion 207 (S706) such that the recording and reproducing portion 207 directly records the data, which is provided from the main board 100 via interface portion 201, in the hard disk 300 without passing through the control portion 203 (S707). Since it is possible to transmit the data by a block unit at once according to the DMA method and there is no intervention of the control portion 203, the data can be transmitted at a higher speed and further, the speed of the system is entirely increased.